



**SENIOR & LONG TERM CARE DIVISION
COMMUNITY SERVICES BUREAU**

**HOME AND COMMUNITY BASED WAIVER
Policy Manual**

Section: ELIGIBILITY FOR SERVICES

**Subject: Eligibility Requirements for Home
and Community Based Services**

References: ARM: 37.40.1408

**INDIVIDUALS
TO BE SERVED**

To be eligible for Home and Community Based Services (HCBS), persons must meet all the following criteria:

1. Be financially eligible for standard Medicaid. Individuals who are eligible for standard Medicaid has additional eligibility requirements for Medicaid under the HCBS Waiver Program. Contact the Office of Public Assistance (OPA) for additional eligibility information at: <https://apply.mt.gov> or call 1-888-706-1535;
2. Be elderly (65 years or older) or certified as physically disabled by the Social Security Administration (SSA); or through the Medicaid Eligibility Determination Services (MEDS) program. Contact OPA for additional information;
3. Be determined appropriate for the HCBS Waiver Program via a pre-admission screen;
4. Require the level of care of a nursing facility or hospital;
5. Not reside in a hospital or nursing facility (for exceptions to this refer to HCBS 410);
6. Not receive case management services through another Medicaid program. (Refer to HCBS 702 for case management service limitations and exception to this rule), and;
7. Not receive services through the Development Disabilities Program.